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## BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

Grandma, looks twenty-one years old, And young men dine and wine Her secret diet, I am told, Is frozen eggs from China. The gourmet, eating like a god, Will find no dish that's finer (Unless it's frozen Iceland cod) Than frozen eggs from China.

### Lay on, Mackduff!

AN Oeuf is as good as a feast. These words of mine so angered my father many, many years ago in the Norman village of Berneval (now so famous) that I was forbidden to use them daily. And rarely have I disobeyed those early instructions since. But the words "sprang unbidden to my lips" when I read that we ate to have frozen eggs from China.

What's guaranteed to get more work from many a disgruntled miner? Not baths, not cigarettes, not clothes, But frozen eggs from China.

### Omelette Surprise

AND will there be dried frozen egg powder, ma'am? What makes a lady thin enough To please her dress designer? Not exercise, but the stuff Called "Drifrozepp" from China.

### Excuse, still singing

What cures the tourist's mal de mer

At breakfast in the ocean liner? He's seen upon the bill of fare: Oeufs Chinois: eggs from China. What keeps the novelist so fit, The highbrow and the penny-a-liner?

Dried plastic kippers? Not a bit, It's frozen eggs from China.

### Without comment

Roll out the barrel was sung in Southwell Minister, not as a hymn of praise to Baalshus, but as an adagio play-nair. (The Rev. H. C. L. Heywood.)

### Tailpiece

A MAN was recently thrown out of his job for singing at his work. He has been replaced, probably with the warning, for once suppose, "We are not living in the Middle Ages."

## ACADEMY SOIREE

By William Hickey

WHEN President Sir ALFRED MUNNINGS and the council of the Royal Academy of Arts gave a party at Burlington House, more than 1,000 guests lapped up strawberries and mock cream, listened to Humperdinck's "Hansel and Gretel," took a dutiful second peek at the pictures. It was the first official soiree for eight years.

Upstairs (later on) general horsey, blunt Sir Alfred expounded to me over a nightcap his views on our failure to feed ourselves.

"Let's have more sheep on the land to give it richness, to provide us with wholesome meat. You can drive for miles these days and never see one."

### About dogs

IN an overwhelmingly feminine atmosphere (at least 50 women to every man) the Peking Palace Dog Association held its championship show for Pekingese, 105 specimens of which prinked and preened and flourished their plumage before monocled MRS. GIFF-

FARD, who judged Foo Chan Wo of Dyrnstown to be the best dog present.

There were disappointments, of course, one stoutish lady retiring with the tears streaming down her cheeks. And differences of opinion, too, such as the hammer-and-tongs argument about which way a dog's ears should be brushed.

Incidentally, I thought the exhibitor in a green truck with a lurid Chinese dragon embroidered across her bosom was carrying the Oriental motif a little too far.

From winner Foo Chan Wo's owner (who also sings in opera) I learned that one view, and I describe a Pekingese "which would a little Chinaman." (Which method I find somewhat disconcerting, because whereas to me all Chinese gentlemen look quite

### About fish

TO have a fish in the family nowadays can be quite a costly business. In the pet department of one London store, goldfish are ticketed from 25s. to £4 each. Even Prussian carp, poor relations and merely silver, cost from 10s. upwards.

For fanciers with still more expensive tastes there are Shubunkins, an exotic streamlined job in pale mauve, splashed with purple spots.

Accessory prices include: Mussels and snails (for cleaning the water), 24s. dozen; South American newts, also scavengers, shiny grey and about six inches long, 50s. each; and plain sea-rand at 4s. a bag of about 6lb. There are, I hardly need add, no queues.

## The Labour Government's second birthday

# IT'S A LONG, LONG WAY FROM 1945

TWO years have passed since a surprised but swiftly adaptable Mr Morrison, hearing that Labour had swept the country, changed what had been arranged as a gathering to celebrate the expected gain of seats in London into a national demonstration of rejoicing at the return of the Third Labour Government.

Let us see what the Government have done, and what they are doing now.

They have given us a really great Foreign Secretary, a massive monument of sanity in a world largely mad. If he has not succeeded (and

he has not) it is because the Russians have no more use for a British Socialist Government than they have for a British Conservative one.

In fact, they have no use for foreign Governments whatever—unless they are satellite ones—and they have not much use for them.

At home, it is to the credit of the Government and the trade unions that they have brought us through the immediate post-war years with no such great labour upheavals as have marked the American scene.

Days lost in industrial disputes have been only one-tenth of the

number lost in the corresponding period after the first world war. Intolerant of "peculiar people" like the Plymouth Brethren, the unions have been very tolerant towards the Government.

The Government have carried through a vast programme of improved social insurance.

If the value of the legislation has been much reduced by rising prices this is unfortunate. But if and when the price curve turns downward, it will be of great benefit.

The Government have nationalised the Bank of England and the mines, and bills for the nationalisation of transport and electricity are now with the Lords.

Of itself, of course, nationalisation settles nothing. The time for judgement here will be some years hence.

We are within six months of the precipice. Unless something happens, the Marshall proposals, which Mr Bevin said, "he grabbed with both hands," suggest that something may happen. But two things must be emphasised.

They are: (1) That it is only a "may"; and (2) That whatever happens will not relieve us of the necessity of putting our house in order.

Mr Marshall may propose, but Congress disposes. And not even Congress.

Goods and food are produced by labour, and the American labour outlook is extremely stormy.

IN all this field the Government have been slow and cowardly. They have been afraid of the unions. Only a few months ago, and after the fuel crisis of the winter, did they produce their economic survey, which first began to reveal the facts.

And the facts are far worse today than they were then. We are spending at the rate of 2550 millions more per annum than we are producing.

As soon as we shall, unless this gap is closed, experience a fall in the standard of life to that of Poland and other Continental countries.

The key is coal. Another fuel crisis, another industrial "shut-down," is certain next winter. For lack of coal, in an industry "practically composed of coal," industry is starved. Because industry is starved we cannot attain the export target.

Because of this, the time approaches with winged feet when we shall not—apart from further American help—be able to pay for the imported food and raw materials we need.

SOMETHING may be done by improving industrial techniques. Something by the importation of additional manpower from abroad. Something by getting more women into the factories. But fundamentally this is a problem of production per man-hour.

And that boils down to payment by results. So long as the clock man draws as much as the energetic one, so long as a man gets the flat rate, whatever his production may be, so long will there be a premium on slackness and a penalty on energy.

When I see signs that the Government are tackling this problem, then I shall see hope for Britain.

## Hello Again! THE HOLIDAY EXPRESS

ON A SENTIMENTAL JOURNEY CALLS IN AT NAPLES

# They don't ask for 'Lili Marlene' now

by JOHN REDFERN

THEY'VE slowed down the traffic in the Via Roma, the Naples shopping thoroughfare where back in 1943 the newly arrived Fifth Army squandered its pay on rubbishy trinkets, leather handbags and silk stockings (only 5s. at first).

The American speed cops then allowed up to 45 m.p.h. The traffic was all military—and one-way towards the front. Now the cars go both ways and 15 m.p.h. is the maximum allowed.

Most other things have gone up: the lights, unemployment, the little rackets.

The San Carlo Opera House, where early in 1944 I saw "The Merry Widow" and Irving Berlin with his own show, is closed for the summer months. But there are six dance halls and 24 cinemas, all busy.

Nightly the trams clatter in from Portici, seaside suburb five miles out. Hanging to the fronts, the road smeared with dust and debris, now the smell of hair oil is quite sensational.

Target for many is the Eldorado of Santa Lucia. But the smart boys and girls are off to the Giardino Degli Aranci—the Garden of the Oranges on the slopes of Vomero. The men wear waisted linen jackets and dance more than over like snakes.

Prices down

WITH the hotels crowded by British, American, Italian and Swiss tourists, Naples is crawling with lire, although everyone laments that they do not go far nowadays. Those old soldiers who endured the "liberation prices" in the

winter of '43-'44 would not find the present prices staggering; except, perhaps, that American cigarettes cost 5s. 6d. for 20.

The luncheon with wine at the Bersagliery on the waterfront, which used to cost 30s. to £2 a head, now costs about 10s.

That hollow-cheeked character—a sort of, ailing Boris Karloff—who sang to the open air diners at the Bersagliery is still there. Remember how, when the Afrika Korps "signature tune," "Lili Marlene," until the sand nearly ran out of his ears?

He has few requests for "Lili Marlene" now. Perhaps that is why he is looking slightly better. His most popular piece today is "Santa Chiara," a sad little number about a girl who comes home to find his house bombed and his girl a wanton.

Oh, yes, the restaurant next door? The Zi-Teresa (Aunt Theresa), still Naples's most fashionable rendezvous. The crowd gathers nightly—not so many uniforms now—to eat fettuccine alle vongole, old Theresa's special dish of noodles with mussels, or any one of a dozen other specialties, to grace the terrace jutting out into the harbour under the multicoloured fairy lights which once again twinkle over the water.

Aunt Theresa was already a well-known long ago, and could have retired years before the war, but she saw it through; she fed the Germans, then she fed the British and Americans; now, well over 60, she still sits surrounded by a glass screen like an idol in a shrine—with a keen eye to business!

"Pina," they tell me, the attractive brunette who used to help at the Naval Club, has married an Englishman and is living in London. Pina's Restaurant, mildly be-

cause the ships' wheels and lanterns on the panted walls made the joint look like a glazy bit of England, was a popular haunt.

Well, Pina's has become a private night club and the front door is kept shut, but the right sort of approach opens it.

### Soap, troubles

WHEN we first saw Naples we were shocked, being British, at the stubby-chins and filthy hands of the people, priests and all. We did not realise that under German rule soap had practically disappeared. Now soap can be bought easily either from the shops or kiosk vendors. But the working men are still grubby and black-chinned.

The trouble now is that they have the soap but cannot afford to buy it. Meat and fish on the black market are also too expensive for the Neapolitan labourer.

Of liquid food the news is better. The Fifth Army types used to pay 1s. 6d. for a pint and three-quarters of a local wine, some of it pretty grim. Now the wine is improved and the price is down to 1s. Chianti works out at 2s. 6d.

Five miles from Naples' centre is the little port of Pozzuoli, white, in 1944, I embarked for the Anzio beachhead, in an L.C.I. with 120 American nurses, all wearing battle-dress with steel helmets.

The oily skinned ragamuffins of Pozzuoli have become young men. Half of them have no jobs to go to, so they just sit with their backs to the wall and scratch themselves or comb their long locks.

Time was when these young waterfront idlers were busy lifting goods from ships and depots. Pilfering of Allied equipment became a major industry. But now the Allies have folded up. There is nothing to pilch.

They tell me that a fat woman has been seen walking around the city with a basket on her head. A small boy hidden in the basket, snatches hats from the heads of passers-by in the crowd. Somehow that sounds like Naples, doesn't it?

THE Government may thus claim that they have faithfully and very rapidly carried out their main promises to the electorate at the 1945 Election.

But the test of a Government is not whether they carry out its pledges or not. It is whether what they have done is appropriate to, and adequate to, the needs of the time.

The one fact which dominated the situation in Britain when the Government took office, the one fact which dominates it now, and will continue to dominate it for years to come, is our altered position in the world.

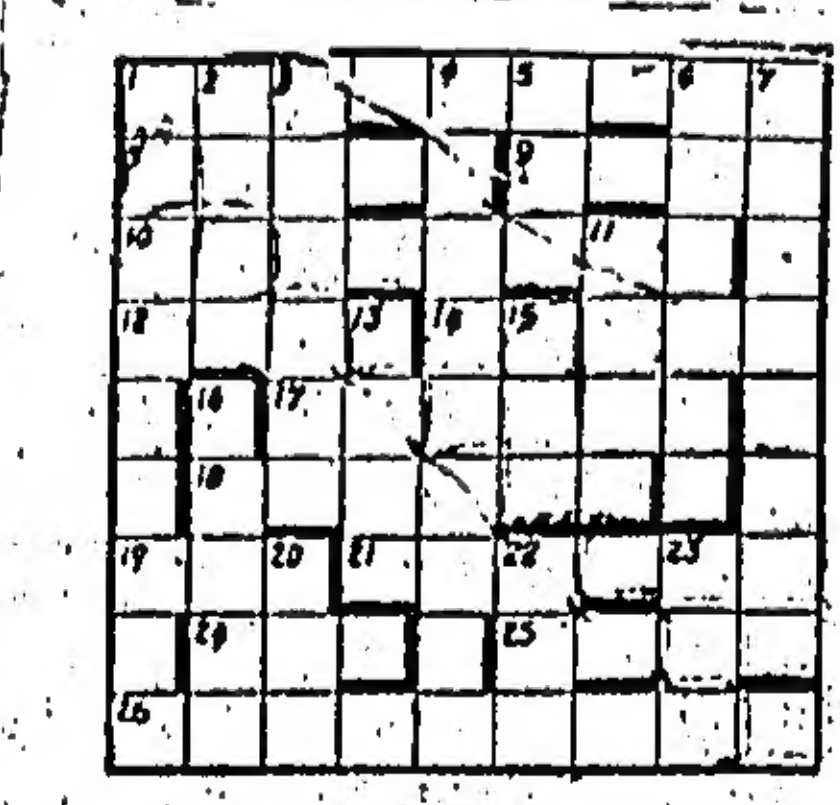
From being a great creditor nation we have become a great debtor nation.

In 1945 we were not producing enough to support ourselves. We are not producing enough—not nearly enough—to support ourselves to-day. And there are no signs that we shall be producing enough to support ourselves tomorrow.

A GOVERNMENT concerned more with the condition of the country than with their party programme would have made this fact the key to their whole policy. They would have told the country the facts; they would have stated the steps necessary to deal with the facts; they would have mobilised the country to meet these steps.

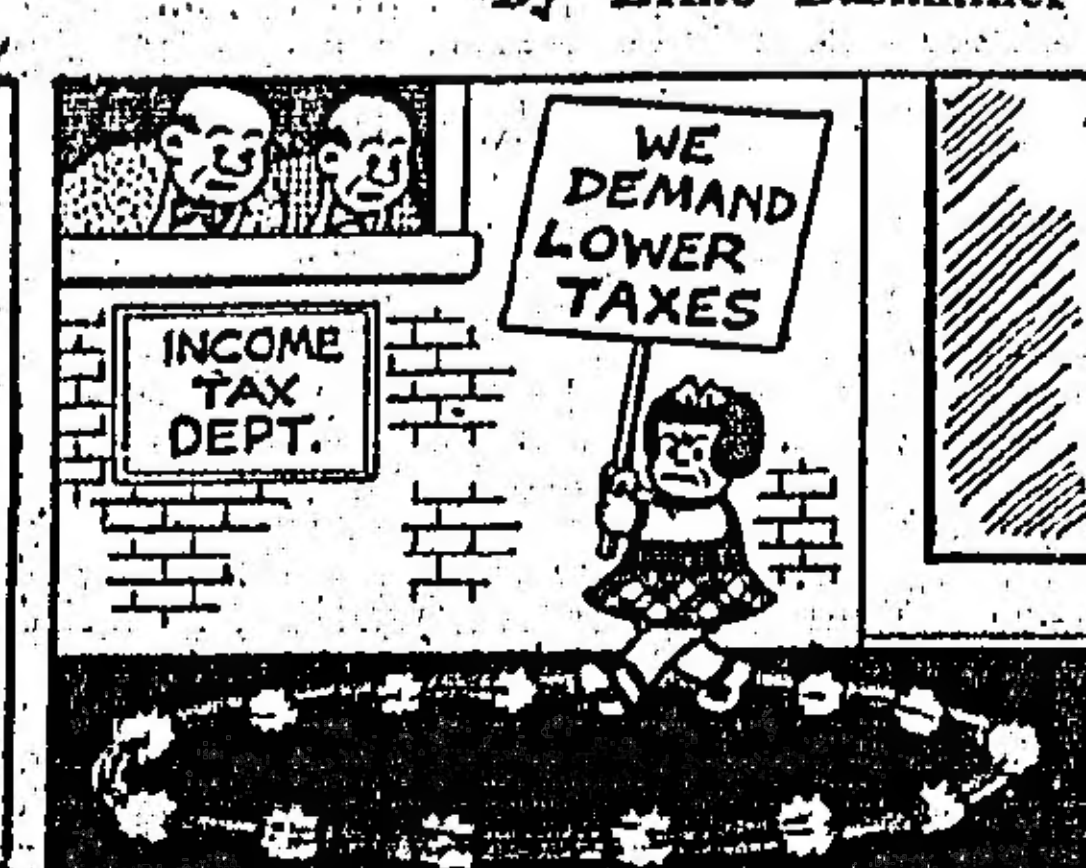
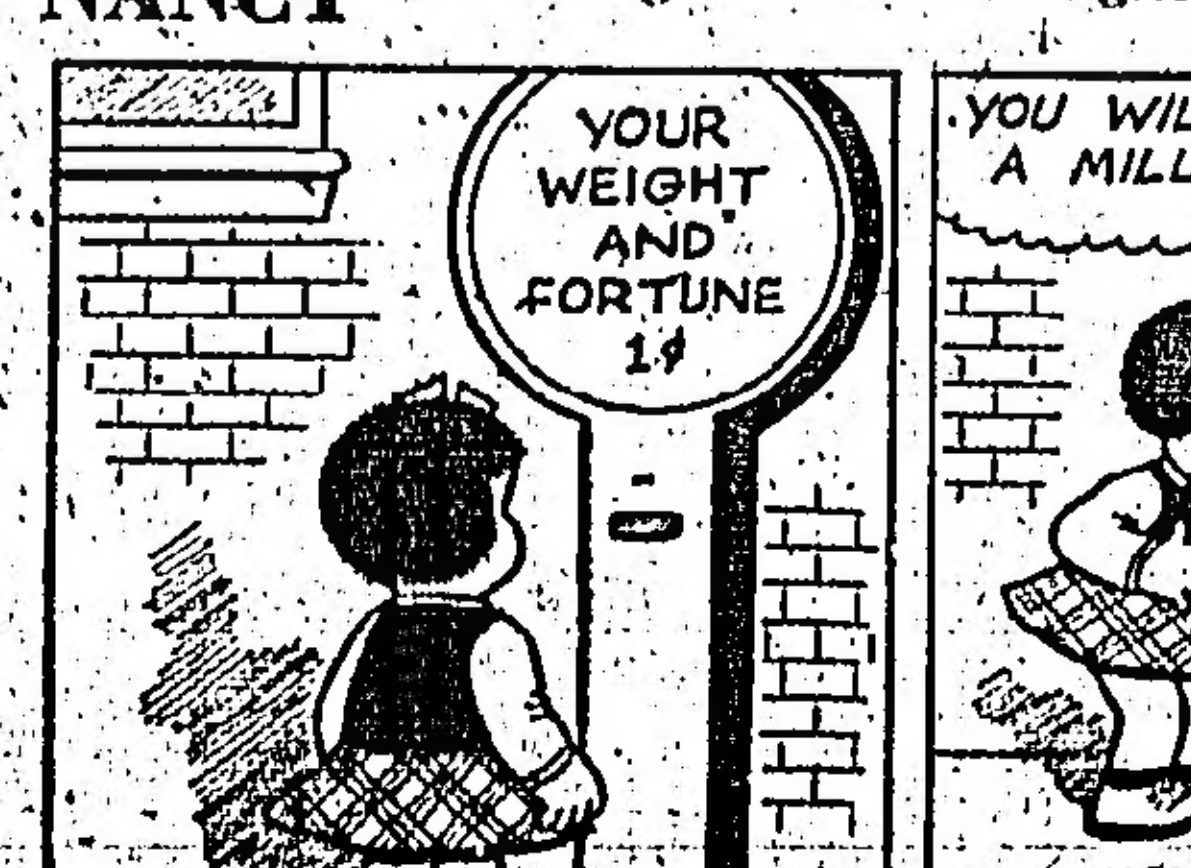
Instead, the Government sought and got an American loan which they calculated would tide us over the acute deficit in production. But the rise in prices in America, the continued failure to face up to the production problem at home, have meant that the loan will be exhausted by the end of this year.

## CROSSWORD PUZZLE



- Broken time. (4)
- The fool I find in the Philis. (5)
- A moulding. (4)
- The straw that made me try. (10)
- One method of ornamenting silver. (6)
- By a trap. (13)
- Teased. (4)
- Sated is more than this. (10)
- They naturally make-gone scenes. (9)
- When in action you might call it a moulding. (4)
- Omnescence. (10)
- Cap these to show power of or skin. (12)
- A small bird. (3)
- Decorative. (6)
- Was the reason for Leg being in Poots? (9)
- What the Yank may say on seeing a moulding. (4)
- A.M. to the Post. (14)
- Not well in chilly surroundings. (12)
- Nothing for game to the last. (8)
- Grain. (3)
- One of the fairies. (3)
- Rest untruthfully. (10)

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—MISERABLE.

Stop being miserable! Concentrate on wearing the adorable swing skirts or slacks, full ones. Or wear pleated skirts because there is no exercise which will straighten bow-legs. Of course operations have been successful in very bad cases but I suspect that you are not in such bad shape.

You ask for a hairdo for an oval face. Make your hair as lovely as possible by care. Part it on the left side, brush it into big curls, held by little combs. Make the curls full and just below the ears. Wear flowers across the front in a cluster. Flowers are pretty for day or evening.

"Dear Lois Leeds—My first formal affair is coming. I would like to know what shades of rouge, lipstick,

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Your white hair, like your diamonds, should have that Blue-White perfection! Never let it become tinged with yellow. Take just an extra Minute to add a dash of bluing to the last rinsing water when you shampoo your white hair. This will insure that Blue-White Perfection. Complement it with a touch of blue eyeshadow.

### SIDE GLANCES

By Galbraith



"I'm not going to raise John's allowance just because of his girl—can't he teach her how to walk like I showed you?"

## WORLD'S BIGGEST AIRFIELD

### Suffolk Heavy Bomber Site Now Completed

By A Special Correspondent

London, July 20.—Yesterday I visited the largest and best airfield in the world. It is only now being finished—more than two years after the end of the war—and few people have ever heard of it. It is even larger than Heathrow in its present form, but as yet it has no airplanes at all.

The field is at Lakenheath, Suffolk, on the site of a former bomber station, about ten miles north-east of Newmarket.

It was built for very heavy bombers, such as the Lincoln, but it can also accommodate the largest aircraft at present projected in any country—even the 150-ton Bristol Brabazon I, a giant.

It was part of a very long-term plan in the war to build three very heavy bomber stations for V Bombers, as they are known in the RAF. The Air Ministry have decided to complete their great plan.

Now Lakenheath is to be used increasingly for civil purposes. At

the moment it is a master diversion station for all airplanes, including civil aircraft, unable to land elsewhere in bad weather.

#### Safest in The World

It is one of the most fog-free places in England, and its approaches are almost perfect—flat country nearly all round. It is undoubtedly the safest airfield in the world.

Lakenheath has three runways—one of 3,000 yards and two of 2,000 yards. All are 100 yards wide—enough for two Lincoln bombers to pass each other safely.

A small airplane could actually land across the runway. Round the edge of the field is a track nearly five miles long and 80 yards wide.

Next stage in the construction programme is to build a permanent camp. At present several old hut sites are used for the RAF unit.

Plans for the future camp include a vast club for the airman, containing a restaurant and lounge for 750, visitors' rooms, where relatives can be entertained, and rooms for every kind of study and recreation.

## Siamese Twins Make Comeback

CHICAGO.—After years of retirement, the world-famed San Antonio Hilton Siamese twins are back behind the footlights.

As Daisy and Violet, who dropped out of the limelight a few years ago, said in a joint statement:

"We didn't need the money—but like the monkeys in the zoo, we got lonesome for people. We're having a lot of fun on the road."

The Doyle Woolfolk Agency of Chicago books the still comely girls who were born 37 years ago, joined at the spine. After a spring tour of mid-western night clubs and cafes, Woolfolk said the twins will make a continuous tour of state and county fairs until autumn.

By that time, he said, "they will have caught on again, we think, and will be back in the big time this winter. We already have some interesting offers."

#### Their Private Lives

The eyes of the curious have been on the girls since the day they were born and their mother deserted them in Texas. Their private lives, for many years, were open books. Their every move as infants, their first joint efforts at walking, their subsequent marriages (one at a time) and divorces.

Despite the fact the girls by accident of birth never are separated, they always have got along famously, even though they are different as night and day, both in appearance and personality.

Daisy is a blonde with green eyes. She is impulsive and talkative, quick of motion. Violet has dark hair and hazel eyes. She is quiet, the easy-going kind.

Emotionally, they are also at odds.

#### Drawing Card

"Sometimes Daisy laughs at something that makes me want to cry," said Violet. "We didn't even catch the measles at the same time. It even may surprise you to know that we have a different circle of friends. However, even today we probably talk to one another less than any other two persons living in the same room together. We learned at an early age to respect one another's privacy."

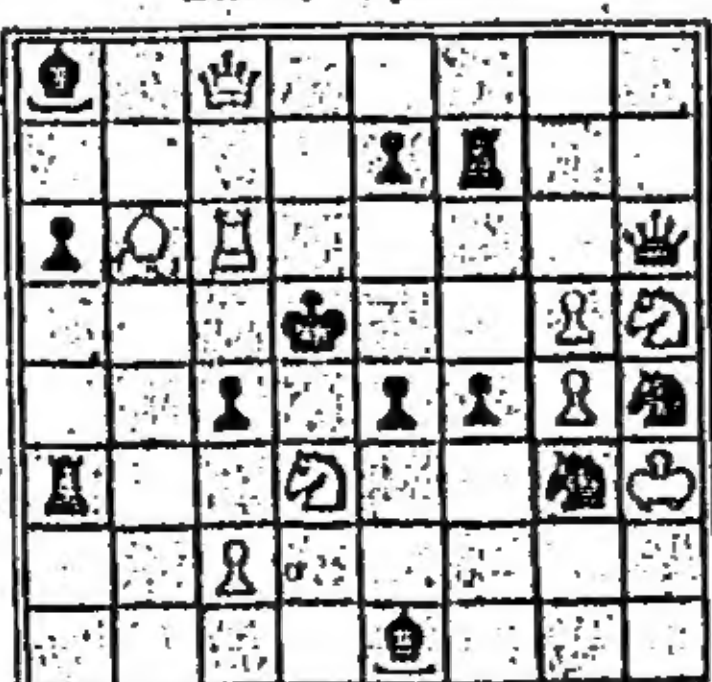
Science has been interested in the girls since they were born. Specialists declare it would be possible to separate the two without harm, but the girls never would listen—and won't listen today.

"We were born this way and we will stay this way," they say. "Their stage routine today has been stepped up to keep pace with the times. They sing popular songs, play saxophone and piano duets, and apparently are as much of a drawing card as they ever were."

### CHESS PROBLEM

By G. GUIDELLI

Black, 13 pieces.



White, 9 pieces.

White to play and mate in two. Solution to Saturday's problem.

1. B-B3; threat 2. B-XF4 (ch).  
1... P-K4; 2. K-K6 (ch) (ch).  
1... P-B3; 2. B-K6 (ch).  
1... K-B5; 2. Q-B7 (ch).



## NAAFI WILL GIVE PRIZES FOR BADGE

NAAFI is offering prizes totalling £200 in a competition open to men and women in the Services.

The NAAFI organisation wants a badge which will be suitable to appear on club and canteen to serve as a direction board and for other similar purposes. The first prize is £100, the second prize £50, the third prize £25, and there will also be 25 merit prizes of £1 each.

Entries are confined to serving soldiers, sailors and airmen and members of the women's services, and may be submitted by men and women who will be on demob leave on October 31, 1947.

Each entrant may submit up to three designs, prepared either in pencil, crayon, ink or paint. Entries will be judged on the following qualities: (a) Shape; (b) Colour; (c) The incorporation of the letters NAAFI; (d) Motif.

#### Points Of Guidance

As a guide, the shape should be bold, recognisable at some distance, and likely to be easily remembered. Colour: there is no restriction in the use of colours but entrants will no doubt bear in mind the Navy blue, Army scarlet, and Royal Air Force blue as suggesting a suitable colour basis.

The letters NAAFI (without full points) should be incorporated into the design and be immediately readable. Motif: this should symbolise the NAAFI's service to the Royal Navy, Army and the Royal Air Force.

Designs may be of any size, although 12 inches by 12 inches is suggested as convenient limit. The number, rank, name and permanent address of the competitor must be written on the back of each entry submitted.

Closing date of this competition is October 31, 1947 and entries should be sent to the Public Relations Officer, NAAFI, Railway Towers, Claygate, Esher, Surrey.

## HISTORIC AMERICAN DOCUMENT

NEW YORK.—A "declaration of dependence," just unearthed, has been put on exhibition by the New-York Historical Society.

The society, incidentally, uses the original and long-discarded spelling "New-York" in its title. The declaration was issued by New York Loyalists some four months after the Declaration of Independence was signed in Philadelphia. It is described by R. W. G. Vail, director of the society, as the reply to the historic declaration.

It is in the form of a petition, signed by more than 700 Loyalists, addressed during the British occupation of New York to the Rt. Hon. Richard Viscount Howe and his brother, the Hon. William Howe, the king's commissioners for restoring peace. It reiterated their allegiance to King George III and expressed zeal to preserve and support the constitutional supremacy of Great Britain over the colonies.

#### Distinguished Names

Dated November 2, 1776, and bearing the names of many distinguished ancestors of families still prominent in the city, the declaration is the only original still preserved of five petitions to the king. The first petition was adopted in October 1776, and contained the request that martial law under the British army be suspended and civil law restored. The commissioners, however, did not act on the request, and the following month a second petition was drawn up which told once more of their loyalty and of the privations many had suffered as the result of their allegiance, but omitted the request for the return of civil law.

The declaration is written on vellum, measuring about 30 by 24 inches, with three additional pages of signatures attached.

## Rupert and the Young Imp—35



The Imps of Spring take the young Imp from Rupert. "Thank you for bringing him," they say. "That saved our chasing him through the chimney." Putting him between them, they scold him soundly and tell him what a wrong thing he has done and what punishment he will get when he is brought before the king. "Rupert interrupts anxiously. 'You're being too hard on him,' he cries. 'He didn't mean to be bad, and he's been very kind to poor Granny Goat.'"

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BEGGARS ARE CHOOSERS

In Mexico City, beggars formed a union, agreed on "minimum demands." They decided to reject gifts of

less than ten centavos (two cents). If a beggar was offered a mere centavo, he was instructed to "resist the him in the most energetic manner he deemed convenient." "The Beggars' Union" fixed the minimum demands, "to insure that their work would be as productive as possible."



## People's Gift To King Haakon

Oslo, Aug. 3.—The Norwegian people presented King Haakon with a yacht on his 75th birthday, celebrated by the whole nation today with festivals throughout the country.

The yacht, paid for by collected money, is the 600-ton motor yacht Philante, built for Mr. Tom Sopwith in 1937 to act as escort and storehouse for his racing yacht Endeavour II, challenger for the America's Cup.—Reuter.

## OBSTACLES CONFRONTING MARSHALL

Washington, Aug. 3.—The U.S. Secretary of State, General George Marshall, leaves for Brazil next week during what officials privately admitted might be a critical month in rapidly deteriorating international affairs.

General Marshall will head a delegation to the Inter-American Conference opening in Rio de Janeiro on August 15.

Six weeks hence the United States resumes its running battle with the Soviet Union in the United Nations Assembly, and the Council of Foreign Ministers, and six months from now, it is optimistically hoped, the "Marshall Plan" will be well in operation.

General Marshall's objective is a "hard line" against Soviet totalitarianism on a dozen fronts, so the initiative will be, the Council of Foreign Ministers, and six months from now, it is optimistically hoped, the "Marshall Plan" will be well in operation.

For General Marshall to enter the autumn meetings with his best foot forward will require some fancy footwork in the closing weeks of the summer in the economic, political and diplomatic fields.

**British Crisis**

The British economic crisis tops all others in priority at the moment. General Marshall's alarmed economic aides are searching for ways to tide Britain over her present difficulties, until the Marshall Plan begins to operate. They are well aware that the bottom will drop out of the Plan unless Britain clings to its present precarious position.

The British Government has appealed for drastic revision of the basic principles in the American loan agreement. The proposed changes would exempt the British temporarily from clauses which prevent them from discriminating against American trade and allow them to import more food from sterling areas. With only \$51,000,000 of the loan, the British plan to cut imports from the United States, curtail military commitments abroad and look to the United States to assume most of the financial burdens in Germany.

**Other Major Problems**

Other major problems are:

1. Korea.—The United States-Russian stalemate threatens another more or less permanently divided country. There is little to indicate the finding of a common ground for settlement of disputes.
2. China.—The economic situation is more hopeless than not as urgently critical as Britain's. There are major doubts here that Lt. Gen. Wedemeyer can find the solution. General Marshall failed to find in the period of almost a year that he spent in China.
3. Indonesia.—The white man's prestige and that of the Western democracies throughout the Orient is at stake.
4. The Balkans.—Greece's serious charges of aggression against her neighbours are heeded for another Soviet veto, which then will challenge the United States and the other Western nations to take direct action.
5. Japan.—Hopes for an early beginning of the Japanese peace treaty were blasted by the almost unanimous desire to defer it until late this year or early the next. Russia wants full veto power, with the Big Four drafting the treaty. China proposes that she be allowed a modified veto.—United Press.

**Odum's Flight Postponed**

Chicago, Aug. 4.—William Odum postponed the take-off of his solo world flight, scheduled for today, until tomorrow because of a "crossed wire" in the insulation system. Odum's backers, Milton Reynolds, said it would take several hours to check the trouble.—Associated Press.

## NOTICE

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## S. C. M. POST, H.K. TELEGRAPH.

## "Most Dangerous Man" Reveals How Hitler Rescued Mussolini

Dachau, Aug. 3.—The former SS Lieutenant-Colonel, Otto Skorzeny, awaiting trial as a war criminal, tonight revealed the details of one of the war's fabulous adventure stories—how he located the secret Italian prison where Mussolini was held in late 1943, captured the heavily guarded Duce with a handful of glider troops and sneaked back to Germany safely with his large, bald prize.

The scar-faced Skorzeny will be tried with nine others here, beginning August 18, charged with having slipped behind American lines in American uniforms and having killed American prisoners during the 1944 offensive.

The man, who was alleged to have been commissioned by Hitler to kidnap Gen. Eisenhower in early 1945, has written an impressive 8,000-word manuscript entitled "The Mussolini Event".

"Here is the story, as the 'most dangerous man in Germany today' tells.

"In July 1943, I was ordered to the Fuehrer's headquarters in East Prussia; Adolf Hitler informed me that he was firmly resolved not to leave his friend, Mussolini, in the lurch and to prevent his extradition to the Allies.

"Mussolini was for Hitler not only an ally of similar political convictions but also his one and only great friend.

## AVIATION DAY IN RUSSIA

Moscow, Aug. 3.—Forty-eight Soviet planes, flying in formation to spell the name "Stalin" clearly legible against the sky, opened Russia's "Aviation Day" celebration, attended by Marshal Stalin and other high Government leaders, at Moscow aerodrome today.

Hundreds of thousands of spectators cheered enthusiastically when the planes appeared, forming their leader's name.

Another feature of the display was a flight of 30 planes forming the five-cornered Soviet star above the aerodrome.

"Aviation Day" was marked by emphasis in the press and on the radio on Russia's ambition to make herself a leader in world aviation.

Two famous Russian designers, Alexander Yakovlev and Sergei Lavushin, were working on a civil aircraft which would fly 1,000 miles to the Eastern Urals in four hours and to the southernmost town of Central Asia in a day, it was announced in Moscow.—Reuter.

## Montgomery In Singapore

Singapore, August 3.—Field Marshal Lord Montgomery, Chief of the Imperial General Staff, told reporters today that he was going to Singapore on his own volition for personal reasons—nobody had asked or instructed him to return to England.

"I merely thought I had been away long enough," he said. He added that he was disappointed that he had not seen General Douglas MacArthur, Supreme Allied Commander in Japan, who was the only one of the leading military figures he had not yet met.

Asked if British arms would be prepared to come to the help of Singapore in case of another war, Smuts' Montgomery said: "What war? I had not heard there was going to be another."—Reuter.

## SMUTS' VISIT TO BELGIAN CONGO

Pretoria, Aug. 3.—General Jan Smuts, South Africa's Premier, is to turn here today from a visit to the Belgian Congo during which he will inspect the Grand Cross of the Belgian Star by Prince Regent Charles.

It is understood that Prince Charles talked over with General Smuts in case of another war, Smuts' Montgomery said: "What war? I had not heard there was going to be another."—Reuter.

## Democratic League Members Arrested

Shanghai, Aug. 4.—A spokesman of the Democratic League today claimed that more than 100 League members in Kwangsi Province have been rounded up by the authorities.

The spokesman said that the Democratic League has lodged a stern protest with the government demanding their immediate release.

The Democratic League was recently branded as the "tail of the Communist Party" by Kuomintang propaganda for its alleged pro-Communist stand.—United Press.

"Hitler said he believed Mussolini to be the last of the ancient Romans of Caesarian tradition." It is quite evident that I had accepted a task which offered only a small chance of success. We were under strict orders and let only five men into the secret. I and my adjutant, Karl Radik, had luck in the Bay of Naples. We learned that a local girl had a boy friend on a convict's island in the bay. The boy had been a scoundrel device to communicate with each other. The girl received news to the effect that a leave for the present would be out of question since a high personality had arrived on the island.

**Constantly Being Moved**

"Later in Rome an Italian naval officer informed us that he had just gone ashore from an Italian cruiser in La Spezia which had taken Mussolini away from the convicts' island. It now became apparent that Badoglio was constantly moving Mussolini from one place to another.

"A few days later, we received a fresh report that the Duce was in Sicily. We travelled there only to find that the report was false. Again we learned that an Italian sea captain, Saint Maddalena, northward of Sardinia, was particularly closely guarded on August 27. I went there dressed as a simple sailor.

"But a Carabinieri sergeant said he himself had escorted the Duce to the harbour on that very morning where Mussolini took off in a seaplane.

"A further investigation showed that the Duce was now held somewhere in the Apennines, possibly in the area of the regions of the highest Gran Sasso.

**Decided To Risk**

"I invented a story that my girl friend was secretly living near Gran Sasso and begged an Italian friend to look her up. He informed me that the valley was entirely cordoned off and that the hotel at the foot of Gran Sasso had suffered eviction of all its personnel. It was strongly rumored that Mussolini was held in this hotel. It was an ideal spot to cut off completely from the rest of the world—more than 6,000 feet above sea level and not a road leading to it. We planned to land with gliders near the hotel. A strong detachment was to go up the mountain, two planes and 100 men ready. No one was to open fire before I fired.

"I could see our goal—the hotel. I gave the order to release tow cables. Then we noted a grave error—a supposedly flat slope clearly showed a descent of 40 degrees. I shouted crash landing!—then the crash.

"We wormed out of the wreck and rushed the hotel yelling 'Musi! Musi! Hallo! (Stick 'em up)!'.

**The Escape**

"Nine of us put the wireless apparatus out of action, and by now I could see the well-known head of the Duce framed in the window.

"The front porch was secured by machine-guns but one of the officers and I managed to shove the guns aside and jump over them, forcing our entrance.

"Mussolini and three Italian officers were in the room. I saw the second glider nose-diving 200 yards away. The third was preparing to land. A yet no shot had been fired. Another glider hurtled with a terrific impact against the mountain side.

"The hotel surrendered without further resistance.

"I reported to Mussolini that the Fuehrer sent me as a token of his loyal friendship. He was extremely pleased and assured me that he had fully expected his extradition to the Allies but that he would have put an end to his life beforehand.

"Meanwhile, a plane had landed on the valley but smashed its landing gear. We cleared the makeshift landing place and another landed.

"At 2.30 p.m. three planes awaited us and we climbed into one of them and off we went to Germany."—United Press.

**MISSIONARY'S DEATH**

Indianapolis, August 3.—Mrs Bertha Adkins Cory, 77, former Disciple of Christ missionary to China, died in her home here on Sunday. She was the wife of Dr. Abram E. Cory, Butler University faculty member and former Secretary of the Foreign Christian Missionary Society.

She served with him in China for 12 years, most of the time at the University of Nanking.—Associated Press.

**OUTWARD MAILS**

United States Postal Service authorized articles and parcel posts close 30 minutes earlier than the ordinary mail. If mail close before 5 p.m. on previous day.

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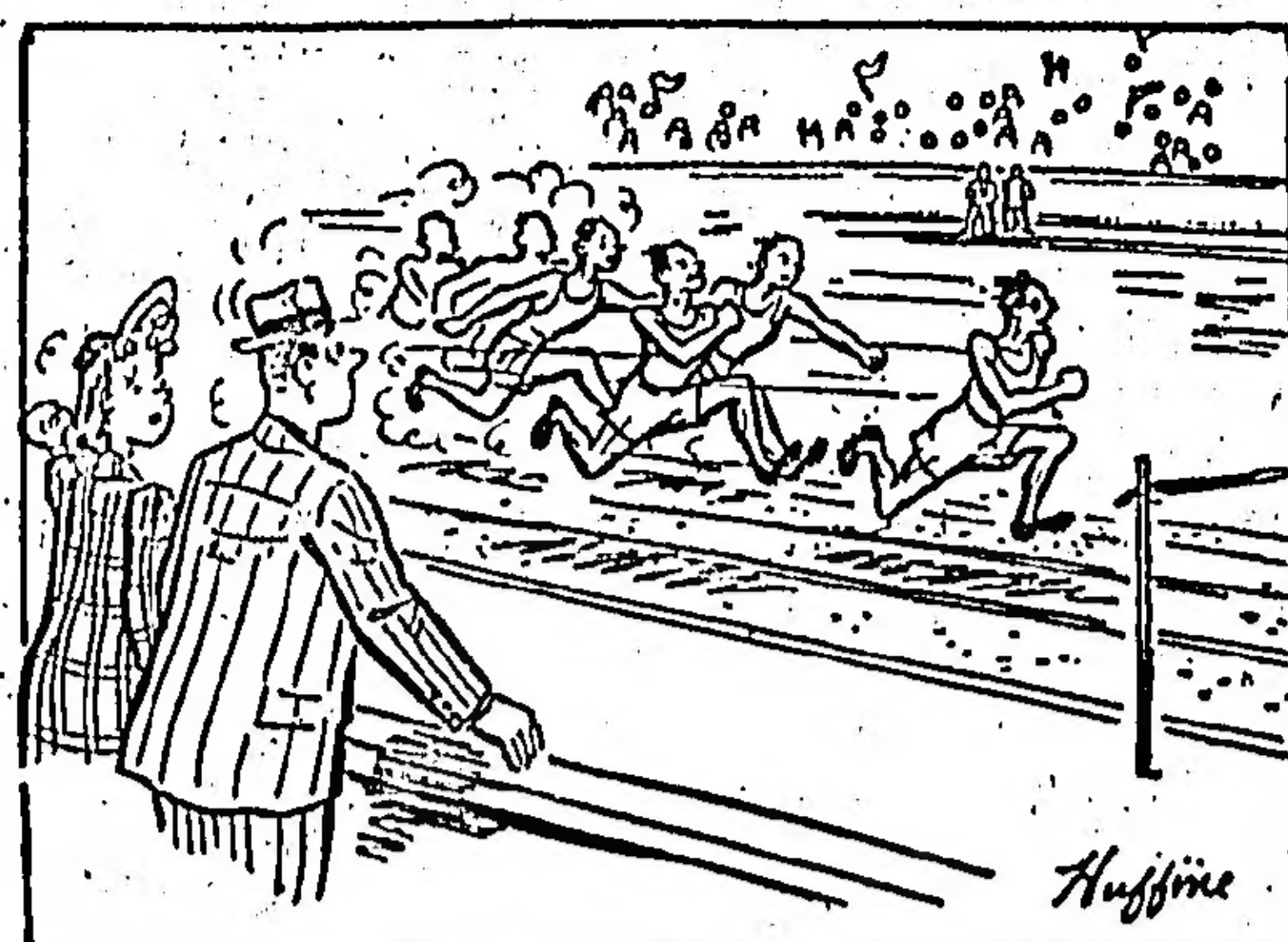
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Singapore, Ceylon, Sourabaya, Sydney and Auckland (Air) 2.30 p.m.

Bangkok, Rangoon, Calcutta, Karachi, Madras, Bombay, Cebu, Manila, Batavia, Melbourne and London (Air) 3.30 p.m.

Japan (ordinary letters and cards only) (Air) 3.30 p.m.

Shanghai, Canton, Kowloon, Chungking (Air) 3.30 p.m.



"My, he's certainly in a hurry to win, isn't he?"

## Wedemeyer In Midst Of China Civil War

BY ERNEST HOBERECHT  
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

Peiping, Aug. 3.—Lt. Gen. Albert Wedemeyer's fact-finding mission, after nearly two weeks in China, now finds itself in the middle of a civil war. Here in North China, in the ancient Chinese capital near the Great Wall, it is easy for Gen. Wedemeyer to see the "facts" of the war between the Nationalist Government and the Chinese Communists. The Japanese are gone, but peace has not arrived.

Peiping itself is surrounded by the Communists. It is one of the scattered Nationalist strongholds in North China, which sometimes are and sometimes are not linked by rail lines, depending on whether or not the Communists cut these vital supply routes. Generally speaking, the Nationalists hold cities and the Communists hold villages.

Gen. Wedemeyer came by plane, and he will fly to other Nationalist-held towns while in this part of China. From his big silver aircraft

with the American flag painted on the side, he can look down at fortresses atop the hills, see new roads being dug around ancient villages and see road blocks across winding highways. On the ground he can see marching soldiers and observe sentries at the Peiping city gates as they carefully search all who come inside the rambling rock walls.

The cause of all this, according to Chiang Kai-shek, is "armed rebellion," and yesterday Gen. Wedemeyer received first-hand information on the local situation from prominent local Chinese.

Around here the Communists use guerrilla warfare while in Manchuria they employ guerrilla warfare combined with positional warfare tactics on some occasions.

Wedemeyer conferred with General Li Tsung-jen, who is Chiang Kai-shek's personal representative here, and with Gen. Sun Lien-chung, military commander in Hopei province.

**Driving Out The People**

Many persons in villages and small towns are making efforts to reach larger Nationalist cities which they feel will be safe from the Communists. Airlines are swamped with ticket applications at stop-overs in various Nationalist "bases" in North China.

Everywhere a traveler goes in North China—Tientsin, Tsinan and Tientsin—there are reports that the Communists drive property owners out of farms and small villages and divide up the loot with the former peasant class, who then are delighted to co-operate with the Communists. Such a typical story was related by Erik Watts, one of the managers of the Kailan Mining Administration.

In Tientsin, he related how the parents of a Chinese boy working for him had been driven from the village by the Communists, who then divided the store's contents among Communist sympathizers.

Watts said: "It is generally the same story everywhere. The Communists drive out the people who will not co-operate with them so they will not have to feed them. They will not have an additional heavy strain on food supplies available in large cities where many refugees are going."—United Press.

**Medical Interest**

The 58-year-old former army surgeon, who came to China only six months ago, performed the operation only a few times previously in the United States. He said to the best of his knowledge it had never been done before in China.

Gung was on the operating table for three and half hours under continuous spinal anaesthetic. All leading Chinese physicians at West China Union Hospital came to watch.

Gung is a farmer in the small village of Chungling, 30 miles north of Chengtu. He said he heard of the famous hospital, run by American missionaries, which "cured everything" and one day he decided to walk to Chengtu to see if they could cure him.—United Press.

## Letters To The Editor

**Milk for Lunch**

Sir,—In this hot weather, very often I like to have a sandwich lunch with a glass of milk. I have found that a lot of other people do the same. Up to a couple of weeks ago, there was never any question of not being able to get milk at lunch time at the Dairy Farm restaurant in Windsor House, although other restaurants might not be able to serve it, but recently it has been impossible to get a glass of milk there during the fifteen hours, although milk is available for making milk shakes etc. If one does not fancy paying more than double for a milk shake, one has to do without milk.

Is there a milk shortage? Or is this just some sort of business policy?

WORKING MAN.

**Morning Traffic Jam**

Sir,—Now that the Traffic Department is showing some activity and trying to improve road conditions for both motorists and pedestrians, perhaps this is the time to call their attention to the East-to-West traffic block between Wellington Barracks and Garden Road, which has been getting worse daily.

This jam is worst in the morning rush hour. I consider myself lucky if I can get past the Garden Road light from Wellington Barracks in less than 10 minutes. Sometimes the hold-up is even longer.

I notice a number of empty trucks each morning in this long string of vehicles, also a number of military vehicles. Perhaps a check should be made as to the necessity for these vehicles to be cluttering up an important traffic route at this particular time. Some types of traffic may possibly be diverted to Kennedy Road.

WESTBOUND.

## GRIM ECONOMIC CRISIS

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designed to bring new blood into the government.—United Press.

**MORE SPECULATION**

London, August 4.—Speculation that Britain's Labour government might postpone or even abandon pending nationalisation measures in view of the country's economic crisis appeared in most London newspapers on Sunday.

Official quarters, working on crisis plans while most Britons were relaxing over the August bank holiday, declined to comment on the reports, however, and a future of socialisation remained a top Cabinet secret.

The almost invariably well-informed London observer said that it now looks as if nationalisation of the iron and steel industry, scheduled for the session of Parliament which opens next October, will be dropped.

"The question was discussed" by the Cabinet last week and although nothing was finally decided, the opinion was strongly expressed that this was no time to nationalise the industry," the observer said.—Associated Press.

**Troops Warned**

Vienna, Aug. 3.—A warning to British troops in Austria against smuggling currency into Britain was issued today in an order to the occupation forces which declared that offenders would be liable to severe disciplinary action.—Reuter.

## U.S. To Press Balkans Border Watch Plan

Lake Success, Aug. 3.—The United States will revive its vetoed plan for a Balkans border watch in the United Nations Security Council tomorrow, and serve notice to Russia that another veto will not block the Western powers' efforts to check the strife between Greece and her neighbours.

## Rulers For India And Pakistan

London, Aug. 3.—The King has formally approved the appointment of Rear Admiral Viscount Mountbatten as Governor-General of the Dominion of India and of Mr. Mohamed Ali Jinnah as Governor-General of the Dominion of Pakistan, with effect from August 15.

An India Office statement tonight announcing the appointments states further that the following Governors of provinces which, after August 15, will form part of the Dominion of India, have been invited and have agreed to continue to serve as Governors in the same provinces: Lieutenant General Sir Archibald Edward Nye, Governor of Madras; Colonel Sir David John Colville, Governor of Bombay; Sir Muhammad Saleh Akbar Hydari, Governor of Assam.

The King has approved the appointments of the following as Governors of the other provinces with effect from August 15:

The Dominion of India: West Bengal, Mr. Chikranil Rajagopalachari; East Punjab, Sir Chaudhali Mahdavlal Trivedi; the Central Provinces and Berar, Mr. Mangalada Pakwasa; Bihar, Mr. Jai Ramdas Daulatram; Orissa, Dr. Kailas Nath Katju.

The Dominion of Pakistan: West Punjab, Sir Robert Francis Mudie; Sind, Mr. Ghulam Hussain Hidayatullah; Northwest Frontier Province, Sir George Cunningham.

The statement continues that the King has also indicated that he will in due course formally approve the appointment as Governor of the United Provinces of Dr. B. C. Roy. Dr. Roy is at present in the United States and an acting appointment, about which a separate announcement will be made, will be necessary.

A further announcement will be made about the Governorship of the Province of East Bengal, the India Office stated.—Reuter.

## Mrs Naidu Appointed

New Delhi, Aug. 3.—Mrs Sarojini Naidu, woman poet, will be appointed Acting Governor of the United Provinces until Dr. B. C. Roy, now in the United States, can return to take over. It was reliably understood here today.

She will be the first woman to act as Governor of an Indian Province.

Mrs Naidu, who has often been referred to as the "Nightingale of India," is a former President of Congress and now a member of the Congress Working Committee.

When asked about her becoming Acting Governor of the United Provinces, she said: "You are putting a wild bird in a cage."

The United Provinces, neighbour territory to Tibet, has a population of more than 56,000,000 of whom over 80 percent are Hindus.—Reuter.

## TO-DAY'S BROADCAST

ZBW Hongkong broadcasting on a frequency of 845 kilocycles from 12.30 to 2 p.m., and 630 to 11 p.m., and also on 502 megacycles in the 31 metre band from 12.30 to 1.15, 7.30 to 8.30 and 9.15 to 11 p.m.

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## Mrs Pandit On Way To Russia

New Delhi, Aug. 3.—Mrs Vijaya-lakshmi Pandit, first Indian Ambassador to Russia, left by plane on Sunday for Tehran en route to Moscow.

She declined to elaborate on a prior statement, that India sought friendship with all the world.—Associated Press.

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